

**Resolution, based on the advice and notification of the Columbus Zoological Park Association, to submit the question of a levy for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities to the electors of Franklin County at the May 6, 2014 primary election.  
(Commissioners)**

**WHEREAS**, Franklin County is currently levying a three-fourths (0.75) mill ten-year levy approved by the voters of the County on November 2, 2004 (the "2004 Levy"), commenced in 2005, and first collected in 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Zoological Park Association (the "Zoo") has advised and notified the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County that the normal and customary percentage of the total General Fund appropriations within the ten-mill limitation for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities is insufficient, beginning January 2015 and thereafter, to provide an adequate amount of support of such zoological park services and facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the Zoo's request, the Board wishes to submit to the electors of the County on the May 6, 2014 ballot the question of an additional levy for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities at a rate not to exceed one and one-fourth (1.25) mills to be in effect for a continuing period of time, upon the passage of which the Zoo will cease to request, and Franklin County would cease to levy, any sums upon the 2014 tax duplicates by virtue of the 2004 Levy; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Ohio, two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, having been advised and notified by the Zoo as to their needs for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities, declares that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Franklin County, Ohio, will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for zoological park services and facilities as authorized in Ohio Revised Code § 307.76.
2. Based on the advice and notification by the Zoo and at its request, it is determined necessary to levy an additional tax in

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excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Franklin County, Ohio, for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 5705.19(Z), with said levy to be at a rate not exceeding one and one-fourth (1.25) mills.

3. That the necessary additional levy of one and one-fourth (1.25) mills for each dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to twelve and one-half cents (\$0.125) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, be in effect for a continuing period of time, commencing on the 2014 tax duplicate and first collected in calendar year 2015; and that the question of levying said tax be submitted to the electorate of Franklin County, Ohio, at the primary election to be held on May 6, 2014, as provided in Chapter 5705 of the Ohio Revised Code.
4. That the form of the ballot cast at such election shall be as set forth below or in a substantially similar form, as approved by the Franklin County Board of Elections and/or the Secretary of State:

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY  
(ADDITIONAL)**

**COLUMBUS ZOOLOGICAL PARK**

**A Majority Affirmative Vote Is Necessary for Passage**

An additional tax for the benefit of Franklin County for the purpose of providing funds for **THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF ZOOLOGICAL PARK SERVICES AND FACILITIES**, at a rate not exceeding 1.25 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$0.125 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2014, first due in calendar year 2015.

**FOR  
THE TAX LEVY**

**AGAINST  
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5. That the Clerk of this Board be and hereby is directed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution, the Auditor's Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue, and Resolution No. 0087-14 to the Board of Elections of Franklin County, Ohio, which Board shall make the necessary arrangements for the submission of such question to the electors of this County at the primary election to be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, as provided by law.
6. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and related to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in such formal actions were made in meetings open to the public, when required by law, in full compliance with all legal requirements, including, without limitation, provisions of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.